Dewan.—If the charges do not exceed a thousand rupees per annum, I am prepared to sanction it.

SUBJECT NO. 132.

Establishment of a Veterinary Hospital at Shikarpur.

Messrs. Srinivasa Dikshit, Shimoga District Board and D. Vonkarappa, Shikarpur Town Municipality.

Summary of Discussion.—A veterinary hospital may be sanctioned for Shikarpur as the District Board and the Municipal Council of Shikarpur have agreed to bear their quota of charges. It is very necessary to establish a veterinary hospital here.

Dewan.—If the District Board and the Municipal Council are prepared to give their quota, there would not be much difficulty in sanctioning the request.

SUBJECT NO. 133.

Restoration of minor tanks in the Shikarpur Taluk.

Messrs. Srinivasa Dikshit, Shimoga District Board and D. Vonkarappa, Shikarpur Municipality.

Summary of Discussion.—Repeated representations are made for the past 15 years for restoring minor tanks for which contributions have been paid. No action has been taken so far and the difficulties to which we are put are great. There are about 8 or 9 tanks which need to be restored in this Taluk. If all of them cannot be restored at once, at least work may be put in hand in accordance with the urgency and importance of the tank and according to some definite programme. If at least two tanks are restored in a year, it would be something.

First Member of Council wanted to know if the villages had paid their full contribution. It was said that at least 4 villages had fully paid up their contribution and most of the other villages a portion of their contribution.

The Chief Engineer said that there were only 3 such cases and these tanks would be taken up soon.

The Dewan asked the member to furnish the list of such tanks to the Chief Engineer for Irrigation and promised to issue instructions to undertake those works as funds were available.

SUBJECT NO. 134.

Maintenance of the Sorab-Sirsi road out of State funds.

Messrs. S. Srinivasa Dikshit, Shimoga District Board and D. Vonkarappa, Shikarpur Municipality.

Summary of Discussion.—The distance of this road is about 60 miles and it is an important road. The District Board is not in a position to find adequate funds to maintain this important road in an efficient way. About a sum of Rs. 9,000 is being spent by the District Board on this road. On account of its importance the road may be treated as a provincial road and its maintenance charges met out of the provincial funds.

Dewan.—The proposal does not seem to be a suitable one. It will not be possible for Government to transfer District Fund roads to State Fund. The best way is to improve the finances of the District Board and to allot adequate funds for the proper maintenance of the road. The question of making a contribution will be favourably considered if special repairs of the road are taken up.

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SUBJECT NO. 135.

An Anglo-Hindustani School for Chickmagalur.

Mr. C. Rasool Khan, Anjuman-E-Islamia, Chikmagalur.

Summary of Discussion.—Chickmagalur is an important place and it is very necessary to establish an Anglo-Hindustani School there. The representation has been repeated for some years and it was promised last year that it would be sanctioned but so far no action has been taken. The starting of a school should not be made dependent on the contribution from the Planters' Association but the entire cost should be borne from State Funds.

Dewan.—Will be considered at next budget time.